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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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Date: April 21, 2006

Sir:

In response to the Election of Species Requirement dated **April 7, 2006**, Applicants provisionally elect, without traverse, the invention of Species A, subspecies 2, first embodiment as shown in FIG. 1, covered by claims 1, 4, 6, 7 and 9-17.

If any generic claims are found to be patentable, Applicants will be entitled to consideration of additional species as well.

In any event, Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications directed to the non-elected claims prior to payment of the Issue Fee.

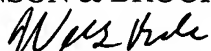
Applicants respectfully request an early examination of the elected claims and favorable action on the merits. If the Examiner has any questions with this Response, please feel free to call the undersigned at the indicated telephone number.

Response to Election of Species Requirement
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In the event this paper is not timely filed, Applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for this extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340, along with any other additional fees which may be required with respect to this paper.

Respectfully submitted,

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